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SUBJECT: HOLCAR OIL -- TRADE COMPLAINT: QATARI CREDITORS VS. HOLCAR
OIL COMPANY

REF: DOHA 460 USDOC 7833

1. EMBASSY COMMERCIAL OFFICER DISCUSSED CONTENTS OF USDOC REFTEL WITH DIRECTOR OF PETROLEUM AFFAIRS, ABDULLAH SALLAT, MORNING OF 25 APRIL. ACCORDING TO SALLAT, HOLCAR'S STATEMENTS TO USDOC MATERIALLY MISREPRESENT THE SITUATION IN THE FOLLOWING PARTICULARS: (A) PROPERTY OF HOLCAR WAS NOT APPROPRIATED BUT, IN FACT, WAS FORFEITED BY HOLCAR IN ACCORDANCE WITH CONTRACTUAL PROVISION CONCERNING NON-PERFORMANCE. (B) THIS FOREITURE DID NOT MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR HOLCAR TO USE ITS PROPERTY FOR SATISFACTION OF OBLIGATIONS BUT WAS, RATHER, A DIRECT RESULT OF HOLCAR'S FAILURE TO PERFORM OBLIGATED SERVICES. (C) HOLCAR HAS NOT RPT NOT RESPONDED TO GOQ NOTICE OF CANCELLATION. (SALLAT SAID THAT RESPONSE MAY HAVE BEEN MISDIRECTED AND HAS INITIATED SEARCH FOR ANY SUCH RESPONSE.)

2. SALLAT DISPUTED HOLCAR CLAIM OF HAVING INVESTED IN EXCESS OF \$16 MILLION (PARA 1, USDOC REFTEL). ACCORDING TO SALLAT, HOLCAR FAILED TO SUPPLY MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND PETROLEUM WITH REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION AT THE TIME OF EXPENDITURES (WHICH WERE, ACCORDING
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TO SALLAT, SPECIFIED IN THE CONCESSIONARY AGREEMENT) AND CANNOT DOCUMENT EXPENDITURES EX POST FACTO.

3. SALLAT SAID THAT CLAIMS OF QATARI INDIVIDUALS AND CORPORATIONS ARE NOT, RPT NOT, SUBJECT TO ARBITRATION SINCE THESE INDIVIDUALS AND CORPORATIONS WERE NOT PARTIES TO THE CONCESSIONARY AGREEMENT BETWEEN HOLCAR AND GOQ. HOLCAR IS,

ACCORDING TO SALLAT, RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL DEBTS INCURRED BY
HOLCAR IN QATAR.
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